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AMENDMENT UNDER RULE 111

SIR:

Applicant(s) hereby request(s) a 3-month extension of the original shortened statutory response period set in the Office Action of May 8, 2001. A check in the amount of \$920.00 in payment of the government fee for a 3-month extension of time is enclosed herewith. Any additional fees or charges required at this time in connection with the present application may be charged to our Patent and Trademark Office Deposit Account No. 03-2412.

In response to the Office Action dated May 8, 2001, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Without prejudice, amend claims 16 and 27 as follows: